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AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH



MRS. SARAH ALLEN
WIFE OF THE FOUNDER

HISTORY OF ST. JAMES A. M. E. CHURCH

St. James A.M.E. Church originally known as Bethel A.M.E. was organized about 1842 by Rev. C. Birch with humble beginning in a building on Green Street. From 1842 to 1888 the congregation worshipped in many places, some of which were as follows: A church in Arlington Street; a hall at Market and Washington Streets; a lodge hall on Broad Street, the present site of the Central Railroad Station; and twice in Alhambra Hall at 73 New Street near Washington Street. While at Alhambra Hall the affairs of the church became so involved that we decided to disband. This was only for a short duration, for the congregation immediately reorganized under the name of St. James A.M.E. Church. Rev. William H. Giles was our pastor when St. James' congregation secured a church building on Union Street. This remained our home until 1945.

St. James has had a succession of notable pastors, who in most instances have done outstanding work. The first board of Trustees were: Thomas Flagg, Jacob King, James Francis, James Giles and Thomas Jackson, all of whom have passed from labor to reward. The following named ministers have been pastors: Reverends C. Birch, Richard Robinson, John Bogg, E. C. Africanus, Lewis S. Lewis, R. Robinson, H. Johnson, D. Darrell, D. R. V. Morgan, J. H. Hamilton, L. Paterson, G. W. Johnson, W. M. Watson, R. Wayman, E. Weaver, W. T. Cato, C. E. Boyer. These were succeeded by Reverends Alexander Turpin, R. M. Long, Morris Williams, Redmond Faucett, W. H. Abbott, S. E. Goosely and Israel Derrick who received his appointment April 25, 1883. He was an energetic pastor and in addition to his regular church work edited a paper named "The Bugle."

Rev. Derrick was succeeded by Rev. J. T. Diggs and it was during his administration we left the church on Arlington Street on account of the administrator of the heirs of the owner of the property desiring a settlement. We were unable to meet their demands and hence vacated the building. It was then we were compelled to meet in the various halls mentioned previously. Rev. J. T. Rex followed as pastor. The church was in a critical condition financially. It was then we decided to disband as Bethel and afterwards was known as St. James A.M.E. Church. Rev. Rex was succeeded by Rev. Ayler who remained only a few months. Rev. W. H. Giles, a transfer from North Carolina conference, was sent to St. James. To Rev. Giles must be given the credit of securing the church on Union Street. Rev. J. V. Peyton came to the charge May 14, 1895, and served 5 years doing a splendid work. The church was beautified and a pipe organ installed and the membership increased and by his good work we realized that the hard trials in life helped us to grow stronger in spirit. Rev. H. C. Ashley had charge of the work for the year 1900. Rev. H. P. Anderson succeeded Rev. Ashley and served from May 1901 to 1906. The church was redeccorated, new lighting system and stained windows installed. He also purchased the lot next to the church. He was a very successful pastor. Rev. Wm. O. Davis served for one year and was followed by Rev. R. French Hurley who remained a little more than a year. Rev. A. A. Collins was our next pastor and served for 6 years. During his administration he enlarged the lecture room, purchased the parsonage on Union Street and installed a steam heating system in the church. In May 1915,

by appointment of Bishop Tyree, we received Rev. H. K. Spearman as our pastor. Through God he was able to accomplish what almost seemed impossible. The church was transformed at a cost of \$5,000.00 and mortgage on church and parsonage which had stood for many years amounting to \$12,000.00 were wiped out. Rev. Carl Flipper succeeded Rev. Spearman, served until October 1924 when he was transferred to St. Louis. Rev. Cummings was our next pastor. He formed a Junior Church and purchased the house between the parsonage and church. He was succeeded by Rev. D. J. Brown who remained at St. James for 2 years. He was then made Presiding Elder. Rev. F. C. Fisher was then sent as a supply minister on August 17, 1930 and was followed by Rev. Charles S. Spivey in Oct., 1930. The church and house next door were renovated during his pastorate. He had the interest of the church at heart, especially the young people, the future church. The sick and shut-ins of the church received their due share of attention, for he visited them often and regularly, always leaving a kindly word. Rev. Spivey left in September, 1936 to become Dean of Payne Theological Seminary at Wilberforce University, Wilberforce, Ohio. Rev. H. N. Newsome of Alabama came to the work Oct. 4, 1936 and was with us only a few months, for on June 26, 1937 after he had returned from a convention in Nashville, Tenn., he died suddenly of a heart attack. We then received Rev. A. C. Saunders who remained for 2 years and was followed by Rev. Joseph Slade who also served for 2 years. Rev. Mansfield E. Jackson preached his first sermon on June 1, 1941 and served our church faithfully and well for 9 years, longer than any of his predecessors. He did a wonderful work at St. James and it was through his efforts and the sacrifices of our loyal members that he secured our beautiful church at High and Court Streets, a "gem of rare architectural beauty". It was the High Sixth Presbyterian Church. It was purchased from the Trustees of the Old First Presbyterian Church at 820 Broad Street, Newark, New Jersey. Our first service was held here on January 7, 1945 and the building was dedicated January 14, 1945. The building was paid for in full December 20, 1945 and the mortgage burned January 13, 1946.

The present pastor, Rev. Eustace L. Blake, was assigned to St. James in 1950. Rev. Blake is a very successful pastor and a powerful preacher. Many have found Christ precious to their souls since he has been at St. James. A beautiful baptismal fountain has been added to the church. This was consecrated a few months ago by Bishop D. Ward Nichols. Rev. Blake has also acquired a beautiful new parsonage on Maple Avenue, East Orange, New Jersey. He has organized a wonderful young peoples choir, which is a delight to listen to. A jubilee and childrens choir are also an asset to our church. Recently a junior usher board was organized.

There are many auxiliaries, clubs and boards in the church who are doing a great work and of great assistance in helping to carry forward the church's program. Our membership has increased over 50 percent. Today we rejoice that ours is one of the leading churches in Methodism.

GRACE L. HALL



INTERIOR OF ST. JAMES A. M. E. CHURCH

FOREWORD

A cornerstone laying is not an after thought for a church more than one hundred years old, but St. James Church from her origin has relocated from time to time advantageously. Thus in our present location we deem it necessary to have a cornerstone bearing our name. Our congregation came into this building in January, 1945. A cornerstone has not been laid here by our group. Therefore, on Sunday, October 26, 1952, at 3:30 o'clock, we plan to place a stone near the front entrance of the building with the following inscription upon it: ST. JAMES A. M. E. CHURCH, 1945. (1945 was the year the congregation moved into this building.)

For this occasion we have invited His Grace Bishop D. Ward Nichols, the presiding bishop of the First Episcopal District of The African Methodist Episcopal, to conduct religious services for us at that time, and the Prince Hall Masons to lay the stone. This will be history making to say the least.

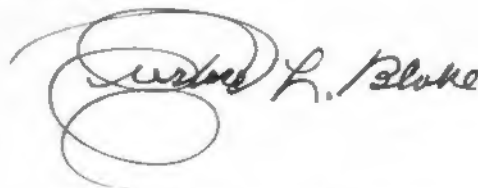
This booklet will set forth a historical resumé of our church and it will give a pictorial review of the present administration. The further purpose of this booklet is to Arouse, Inform, Enhance, Encourage and Inspire our local church family and to apprise our friends everywhere of our present day Kingdom Building activities.

We make no prophecy as to the future but we go forward with this thought in mind:

"In the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand; For thou knowest not whether shall prosper, either this or that, or whether they both shall be alike good."—Ecc. 11:6.

We go forward with faith believing that "God's tomorrow will be better than today".

Your brother and servant,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Eustace L. Blake". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

EUSTACE LEWIS BLAKE, Pastor



Bishop Decatur Ward Nichols
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NEWARK NEW JERSEY



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PRESIDENT OF THE SENIOR MISSIONARY SOCIETY

ST JAMES A. M. E. CHURCH



Church Parsonage

46 SO MAPLE AVENUE

EAST ORANGE, N J

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26, 1952 — TEN-THIRTY A. M.

Conducted by Rev. John Douglas Bright, Pastor of Mother Bethel A. M. E. Church, Philadelphia, Pa. Dr. Bright's congregation will join him in the conducting of the service.

Mother Bethel Church was organized by Richard Allen in 1787, Philadelphia, Pa., and the present building stands on the original spot, 6th Street below Pine Street Philadelphia, Pa.



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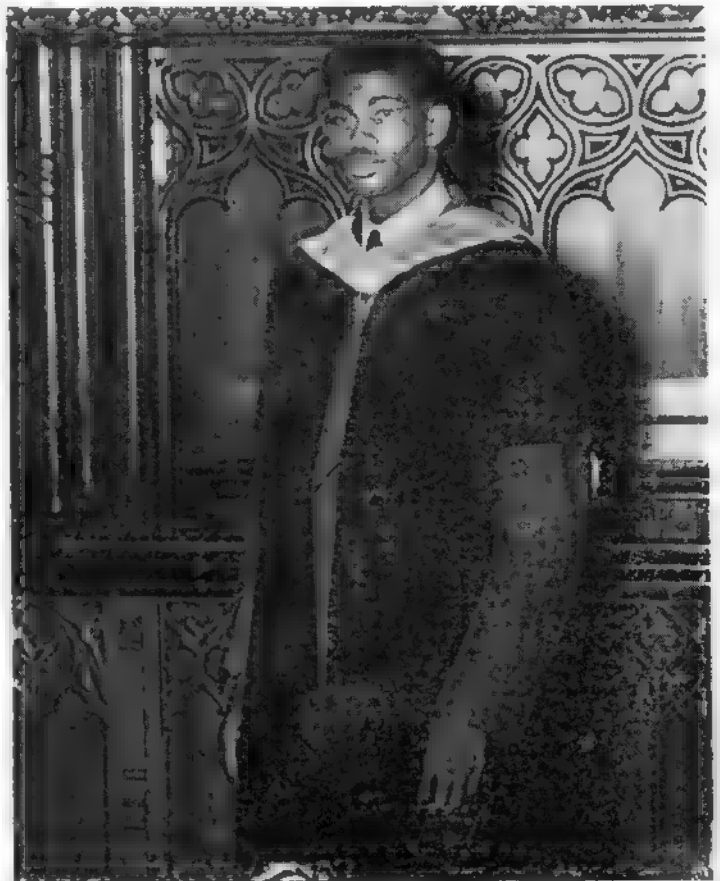
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REV. G. ADEMU JOHN, B.D., M.A., B.Sc.

Rev G Ademu John a native of Freetown, Sierra Leone, West Coast Africa, was born on the 25th of December, 1915. He is the son of the late Rev G Ademu John and Mrs Florence A. John.

He received his early education in the African Methodist Episcopal Seminary for Boys in Freetown, Sierra Leone. Since his arrival in this country in 1935 he has received degrees from Wilberforce University, Lincoln University, Columbia University and Temple University.

Rev John, a true product of the African Methodist Church, has compiled the origin and history of the A.M.E. Church in West Africa which forms his thesis at Lincoln University. He is now returning to his native land. On Sunday Sept 28th he preached a very inspiring sermon here at St. James and paid a great tribute to our pastor, Rev E. L. Blake, who inspired him to greater and nobler achievements on his coming to America. We wish him God's Speed.



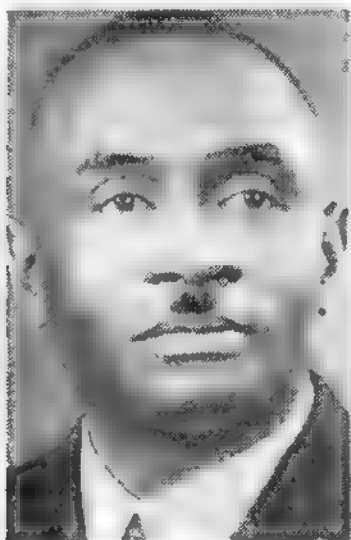


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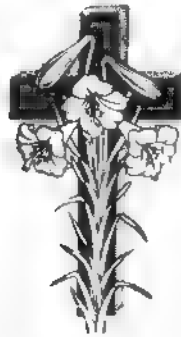


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Now in her 92nd Year
Member of this church since girlhood

IN MEMORIAM
of
ALL THE DEPARTED
of
St. James A. M. E. Church



May the Souls
of the faithful departed
through the Mercy of God
Rest in Peace

IN MEMORY OF MY SON



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MOTHER — MRS. ANNIE THOMAS

IN MEMORY OF MY MOTHER



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